(b) if so, whether any orders have been issued on the subject in view of the said judgment and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir, The Central Government has no role in reservation of seats in minority educational institutions.

(b) Does not arise.

Pre-matric scholarship scheme for minority students

407. SHRI P.R. RAJAN: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

whether Government has recently announced a pre-matric scholarship scheme for minority students; and

if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scheme is for eligible students of class I to X belonging to the minority communities. It is to be implemented through State Governments/Union Territory Administrations with funding being shared between the Central and States in the ratio of 75:25;I00% financial assistance will be provided to Union Territories. Students with not less than 50% marks in the previous final examination, whose parents'/guardian's annual income, from all sources, does not exceed Rs. 1.00 lakh are eligible for award of scholarship. It is proposed to award 25 lakh scholarships during the Eleventh Five Year Plan. Thirty per cent of the scholarships are earmarked for girl students.

Power generation from non-conventional energy sources

†408. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

whether power is being generated from non-conventional energy sources particularly in rural regions in the country;

the quantum of power generation, State-wise; and

whether Government has explored the possibility of power generation from non-conventional sources especially in rural regions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

The grid-interactive power generation installed capacity from the renewable sources like wind, biomass, solar and small hydro in the country, including rural regions, has reached 11273.62 MW as on 31.12.2007. State-wise details thereof are given in the Statement *(See* below).

Yes, Sir. A potentiaddl of around 84776 MW for energy/power generation from various renewable energy sources such as wind, biomass, small hydro and solar has been estimated in the country including that in rural regions, details of which are given in Statement-II.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.